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GOVERNOR, COMMISSIONER WELCOME GENERAL PRODUCTS PARTNERS INC. TO LINCOLN COUNTY

New Manufacturing Facility to Create 100 New Jobs

NASHVILLE – Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam and Economic and Community Development Commissioner Bill Hagerty along with officials from General Products Partners Inc. announced today the company will establish a manufacturing facility in Fayetteville. The \$6.5 million investment by the aerospace and defense components manufacturer and will create 100 new jobs in Lincoln County.

"We continue to work to make Tennessee the No. 1 location in the Southeast for high quality jobs, and I want to congratulate General Products Partners Inc. and Lincoln County on this great announcement," Haslam said. "The area will certainly benefit from these new positions, and I know this is the beginning of a strong partnership between General Products Partners Inc. and the state of Tennessee."

"I am pleased to welcome General Products Partners Inc. to Tennessee," Hagerty said. "Our business-friendly climate, central location and quality workforce will serve the company well. Under Gov. Haslam's leadership, our department has worked hard to bring advanced manufacturing companies such as General Products Partners Inc. to our state."

General Products Partners Inc. is a premier supplier to a diversified range of aerospace, defense and aircraft industry leaders in the precision machining, fabrication and assembly of tooling and components, including space flight hardware. The facility will be located at Runway Centre Industrial Park and will be the first company to locate in the new business park.

"GPP is pleased to become partners with the State of Tennessee and the residents of Lincoln County," Mike Tucker, general manager, General Products Partners Inc., said. "This is an excellent opportunity and a win-win situation for all concerned. The state and local leaders have been most helpful; this is the type of environment that creates success."

The company specializes in metal finishing; assembling and testing; fabrication/welding and sheet metal; and precision machining for clients like Boeing, Lockheed Martin, NASA and all branches of the United States military. At both the new Lincoln County location and at its headquarters outside Huntsville, Ala., General Products Partners Inc. is conveniently located to serve one of the key hubs of the nation's aerospace, defense and aircraft industries.

"We feel fortunate to have a growing company connected to NASA and Redstone Arsenal committed to making Lincoln County their home," Lincoln County Mayor Peggy G. Bevels said. "They will bring new, good paying jobs with good benefits, and we look forward to adding them to our working family."

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The new jobs include manufacturing and administrative positions; interested applicants should contact Workforce Solutions Tennessee, 931-455-9596.

About the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

The Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development's mission is to develop strategies which help make Tennessee the No. 1 location in the Southeast for high quality jobs. The department seeks to attract new corporate investment in Tennessee and works with Tennessee companies to facilitate expansion and economic growth. To find out more, go to www.tn.gov/ecd. Follow us on Twitter: @tnecd. Like us on Facebook: facebook.com/tnecd.

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